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**Supplemental Amendment**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated 30 July 2002, Applicant courteously requests that his claim 14 be amended as hereinafter set forth and that the substitute specification submitted herewith replace his originally submitted specification.

The substitute specification is a new translation of Applicant's original German language specification and was prepared by the undersigned attorney who is wholly proficient in the English and German languages. The substitute specification does not contain any new matter, but is believed in its lay-out to satisfy current U.S. patent prosecution standards.

Please rewrite claim 14 as follows:

14. (Amended) A method of testing a document for at least one of the properties thereof, the document being provided with an electrically conductive security [material] element, an optically variable device and [with] a metallic security [thread] strip, comprising the steps of:

capacitively coupling electrical energy from a transmitter to a receiver

